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SUBJ: PHASE OUT OF OCCIDENTAL'S VENTSPILS PROJECT

REF: LENINGRAD 627

1. WE WERE TOLD MARCH 16 BY PAUL SAWYER, ON-SITE
PROJECT MANAGER OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM COMPANY (OXY)
AMMONIA AND SUPERPHOSPHATE LOADING, UNLOADING AND STORAGE
FACILITY AT VENTSPILS, LATVIA, THAT PHASE OUT OF OXY'S
ON-SITE PERSONNEL IS ALREADY UNDERWAY AS PROJECT NEARS
COMPLETION. FIVE OXY SPECIALISTS HAVE LEFT IN THE LAST
WEEK OR SO AND SAWYER HIMSELF EXPECTS TO DEPART APRIL 22.
HE WILL LEAVE THE FACILITY IN HANDS OF EIGHT OR NINE
AMERICANS ALL OF WHOM ARE SPECIALISTS ON THE OPERATIONAL
END. THEY WILL SUPERVISE OPERATIONS AT THE NEW FACILITY
UNTIL JUNE 1. AFTER THAT, ONLY A SINGLE OXY
EMPLOYEE IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN ON-SITE. HE WILL STAY
AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS TO KEEP A WATCH ON OVERALL
OPERATIONS.

2. MEANWHILE, THE OXY SPECIALISTS ARE PUTTING FINISHING
TOUCHES ON PROJECT. MAJOR COMPRESSION (SUCTION) FACILITY
FOR UNLOADING AMMONIA FROM TANK CARS WILL BE INAUGURATED
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WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS WITHOUT FANFARE. THE FACILITY
IS CAPABLE OF UNLOADING 300 CARS A DAY. BUCHANAN

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